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FM AMEMBASSY MANAMA BAHRAIN

TO SECSTATE WASHINGTON DC 2929

INFO AMEMBASSY JIDDA SAUDI ARABIA

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E.O. 11652 : N/A

TAGS : EINV, BA

SUBJECT : USG POLICY CONCERNING VALUATION OF EXPROPRIATED PROPERTY

REFERENCE : STATE 81210

ON REFLECTION WE HAVE REFRAINED FROM APPROACHING GOB TO CARRY  
OUT INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL FOR FOLLOWING TACTICAL REASON: THE  
ONLY PAST OR FORESEEABLE BAHRAINI ACTION WHICH COULD BE CONSTRUED  
AS EXPROPRIATION OF AMERICAN INVESTMENT IS GOB'S PARTIALLY  
COMPLETED EFFORT TO ACQUIRE 100 PERCENT "PARTICIPATION" IN CRUDE OIL  
PRODUCTION OF THE BAHRAIN PETROLEUM COMPANY (CALTEX) CONCESSION.  
BY LONG-STANDING AGREEMENT, PARTICIPATION AS WELL AS OTHER  
CONCESSION TERMS BETWEEN CALTEX AND GOB FOLLOW THE PATTERN  
ESTABLISHED ELSEWHERE IN THE AREA, PRIMARILY THAT BETWEEN SAUDI  
ARABIAN GOVERNMENT AND ARAMCO, IN WHICH THE CALTEX OWNERS OF  
COURSE HAVE SHARES. HENCE, WHAT GOB HAS DONE ABOUT  
PARTICIPATION AND WILL DO IN THE FUTURE FOLLOWS FROM SAUDI-  
ARAMCO ARRANGEMENTS. REFTEL INDICATES EMBASSY JIDDA WILL BE  
RECEIVING SEPARATE INSTRUCTIONS ON APPROACHING SAG RE EX-  
PROPRIATION ISSUE. WHILE WE ARE BY NO MEANS SUGGESTING CALTEX  
INVESTMENT IN BAHRAIN IS IN BALLPARK OF ARAMCO INVESTMENT IN  
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SAUDI ARABIA, WE HESITATE TO APPROACH GOB ON THIS ISSUE WITHOUT

EITHER KNOWING WHAT USG IS SAYING TO SAG OR BEING REASSURED  
THAT OUR MAKING APPROACH REFTTEL TO GOB WILL NOT IN SOME WAY  
COMPLICATE USG'S POSITION IN SAUDI-ARAMCO SITUATION.  
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